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Purpose of the CAPER

At the end of each program year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires all HUD recipients to submit a description and evaluation of program year activities that have been undertaken using HUD funding. This information is compiled into a report called the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). In general, recipients are required to discuss how the activities undertaken during the program year addressed the priority needs previously identified in the Consolidated Plan and Continuum of Care reports. The goal of the CAPER is to enable HUD and citizens to assess the recipient's progress toward meeting long-term goals.

The State of Indiana CAPER reports on program activities for four HUD block grants administered by three State agencies. For the State's 2007 program year, these agencies and awards included:

- The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA—primary administrator of the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program;
- The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA)—administrator of the State HOME Investment Partnerships Program, the American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI), the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program, the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program, and a portion of the CDBG program.

This CAPER was completed in accordance with Sections 104(d) and (e) of the Housing and Community Development Act and Title 24 CFR Part 91 and Part 570, which pertain to State submissions of the CAPER.

With the signing of House Enrolled Act 1003 during program year 2004 by Governor Mitch Daniels, the Indiana Department of Commerce (IDOC) was officially restructured. The business development functions formerly under IDOC are now a part of the newly created Indiana Economic Development Corporation. House Enrolled Act 1008 established the Indiana Office of Rural Affairs (ORA). During the 2006 General Assembly, legislation was created to change the name of ORA to the Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) to better encompass all of the office functions. This office falls under the leadership of Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Skillman. Most of the community development programs formerly housed within the IDOC are now OCRA.

Additionally, Senate Bill 578 changed the name of the Indiana Housing Finance Authority (IHFA) to the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA). IHCDA oversees the following programs: Community Food and Nutrition, Domestic Violence Program, Emergency Shelter Grant, Energy Assistance Program, Individual Development Account (IDA), Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP), Shelter Plus Care, and the Weatherization Assistance Program.

Finally, during program year 2005, the ESG Program moved from Family Social Services Administration to IHCDA on February 1, 2006.

Public Notice for CAPER Review

The 2007 CAPER is available for public review between September 12, 2007 and September 26, 2007. A hard copy of the CAPER is on file with the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, and electronic copies were published on agency websites. Public comments are encouraged and accepted during this period. The public notice announcing the availability of the CAPER is attached to this section.

Applicable Areas

The State of Indiana Consolidated Plan covers all non-entitlement areas in the State. The term "entitlement areas" refers to cities and counties that, because of their size, are able to receive federal HUD funding directly. These areas must complete a Consolidated Plan separately from the State to receive funding. The requirements for receiving CDBG, HOME, ADDI, ESG and HOPWA funds directly are all slightly different, but are generally based on size and need of the community. For purposes of this report, "non-entitlement" refers to cities and towns that do not file Consolidated Plans individually and are not able to receive funding from the HUD programs directly.

The entitlement areas in Indiana during program year 2007 include the cities of Anderson, Bloomington, Carmel, ¹ Columbus, East Chicago, Elkhart, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Gary, Goshen, Hammond, Indianapolis, Kokomo, LaPorte, Michigan City, Muncie, New Albany, Terre Haute, Lake County, Hamilton County ² and the consortiums of Lafayette (including the cities of Lafayette and West Lafayette) and St. Joseph's County (including the cities of South Bend and Mishawaka).

Organization of the Report

The remainder of this report is organized as follows:

- Section II discusses the State's 2005-2009 Five-Year Strategic Plan and the 2007 One-Year Action Items, as well as their accomplishments;
- Section III discusses how the CDBG, HOME and ADDI programs and other resources were used to meet the housing and community development needs of non-entitlement areas in the State;
- Section IV discusses how the ESG, HOME and CDBG programs and other resources were used to meet the needs of persons who are homeless in the State;
- Section V discusses how the HOPWA program and other resources were used to meet the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS in the State; and
- Section VI discusses the State's progress in meeting HUD's new Performance Measurement System program.

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¹ Carmel is included in Hamilton Urban County as an entitlement city as a joint applicant.

² The Towns of Sheridan, Arcadia and Atlanta are excluded from the Hamilton County Urban County for the period of 2007-2009.

LEGAL NOTICE OF FILING OF COMBINED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT

Notice is hereby given that the Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs, and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority will file their 2007 Combined Annual Performance Evaluation Report with the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) on or about September 30, 2008. These programs are funded through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development under Title I of the Housing & Community Development Act of 1974 as amended.

The Combined Annual Performance Evaluation Report provides information on the expenditure of activities with regard to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Program, the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons With Aids (HOPWA) Program. The Office of Community & Rural Affairs will have the Combined Annual Performance Evaluation Report available for public inspection prior to its submission. Members of the public, especially persons of low to moderate income, are invited to review the Combined Annual Performance Evaluation Report prior to its submission during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 12, 2008 through Friday, September 26, 2008, at the Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs, One North Capitol, Suite 600, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Information regarding the Combined Annual Performance Evaluation Report can be obtained by writing to: Office of Community and Rural Affairs, Grant Support Division, c/o Beth Dawson, One North Capitol, Suite 600, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2288. Additional information may also be obtained via e-mail at bdawson2@ocra.IN.gov or by phone at 1-800-824-2476.

Newspapers the public notice was published in:

The Republic, Columbus, IN

Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis, IN

The Journal-Gazette, Ft. Wayne, IN

The Chronicle-Tribune, Marion, IN

The Courier Journal, Louisville, KY

Gary Post Tribune, Merrillville, IN

Tribune Star, Terre Haute, IN

Journal & Courier, Lafayette, IN

Evansville Courier, Evansville, IN

South Bend Tribune, South Bend, IN

Palladium-Item, Richmond, IN

The Times, Munster, IN

The Star Press, Muncie, IN